

### **REMARKS**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 21, 2007, the Applicants request reconsideration based on the above claim amendments and the following remarks. Claims 1 and 15-18 have been amended. Claims 1 - 20 are pending in this application and also currently stand rejected. Applicants respectfully submit that the claims as presented are in condition for allowance.

#### **Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 101**

Claims 1-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention was directed to non-statutory subject matter. Claims 1, 15, and 18 have been amended, and Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments overcome this objection and add no new matter. Applicants respectfully submit that using a flag to reject embedded code upon opening a document, as recited in amended Claims 1, 15 and 18, is a concrete, useful and tangible result.

#### **Double Patenting**

The Office Action states that if claims 1-5 are found to be allowable, claims 15-17 would be objected to under 37 CFR 1.75 as being a substantial duplicate thereof. Claims 15-17 have been amended, and Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments overcome this objection and add no new matter.

#### **Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 102**

Claims 1-20 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being clearly anticipated by Microsoft (Overview of WordprocessingML, hereinafter "*ML Overview*"). Based on the

accompanying documents submitted herewith, Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection does not apply and respectfully traverse this rejection.

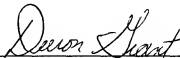
Submitted herewith is a declaration under C.F.R. § 1.132 attesting to the fact the *ML Overview* is the Applicants' own work under *MPEP* 715.01(c)I. Applicants hereby submit that the *ML Overview* was created by others working under the direction of the Applicants. Therefore, *ML Overview* cannot be considered prior art under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a). Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection of Claim 1-20 because *ML Overview* is not prior art.

### CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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